

Contacts with Premiers by Minister LeBlanc

Feb 10 – Minister LeBlanc spoke with Premier Ford, see readout on email. On February 11, the Minister sent the Premier a note to acknowledge the importance of the steps taken.

Feb 11 – Premier Kenney communicated with Minister LeBlanc to express concerns that the provinces have been left with the enforcement challenge, and that there has been no response to the request for the CAF to help with tow trucks.

Feb 12 – Minister LeBlanc communicated with Premier Houston to let him know that the federal government stands ready to make sure RCMP is able to support local police forces. Premier said that all is fine for now and that he will reach out if needed.

Feb 12 – Minister LeBlanc communicated with Premier Higgs to ask whether the RCMP is providing local forces the support needed to manage any disruptions. He noted that the Government of Canada has instructed federal agencies to work with provinces to ensure other critical infrastructure are protected from further disruptions.

Feb 12 – Minister LeBlanc communicated with Premier Furey to offer any support needed.

Feb 13 – Premier Horgan communicated with Minister LeBlanc to say that the events are under control in BC, and three weekends of protests at the Legislature are getting smaller each week, with no encampments.

Feb 14 – Minister LeBlanc communicated with Minister LeBel about the Emergencies Act and intention for it to complement PT measures and to provide tools for police of local jurisdiction. There may be measures that need to apply in Quebec, for example, measures that regulate activities of financial institutions.

Feb 14 – Premier King communicated with Premier King who said that PEI would support whatever direction is decided, but also that we collectively need to find a way to generate a positive conversation amongst Canadians.

Feb 14 – Premier Higgs communicated with Minister LeBlanc that in his view it would be best to focus authorities on Ottawa, and in collaboration with Ontario.

Feb 15- Minister LeBlanc took a call with Premier Houston – he said he understands these powers are needed in Ottawa, he gets why they were used and he understands the financial aspects.

